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Nayan was a prince of the royal "Borjigin" clan of the Mongol Empire and a powerful military commander. He belonged to the fourth or fifth generation of Genghis Khan's youngest full brother, **Temüge**. In history, he is primarily known for leading a massive and famous rebellion against **Kublai Khan**.

Most historical details about Nayan come from the travelogues of the famous Venetian traveler **Marco Polo**, who personally witnessed the events of that era.

The key historical facts associated with Nayan are detailed below:

1. Nayan's Religion and Its Influence

While Buddhism and Shamanism were gaining popularity among the Mongol elite, Nayan was a **Nestorian Christian**. According to Marco Polo, when Nayan fought against Kublai Khan, his military flags bore the holy Christian symbol—the **"Cross"**—and his army included many Mongol Christians.

2. Rebellion Against Kublai Khan (1287 AD)

Nayan ruled over vast territories around Manchuria and Mongolia (the Eastern Ulus) and was a staunch supporter of the traditional nomadic lifestyle. When Kublai Khan conquered China, established the **"Yuan Dynasty"**, and began adopting Chinese governance structures and culture, several Mongol princes, including Nayan, turned against him. They believed that Kublai Khan was abandoning the ancient traditions of the Mongols.

- **Alliance:** Nayan partnered with **Qaidu**, another powerful Mongol ruler of Central Asia (the grandson of Ögedei Khan), planning to surround Kublai Khan from both sides.

- **Army Size:** According to Marco Polo, Nayan had amassed a massive army comprising nearly **300,000 cavalrymen**.

3. The Decisive Battle and Kublai Khan's Strategy

When Kublai Khan learned of this threat, he took immediate action to prevent Nayan and Qaidu from joining forces. Although Kublai Khan was quite old and ill at the time, he personally took command of the army and advanced toward Nayan's territory (Manchuria) with extreme speed.

Kublai Khan caught Nayan's army completely by surprise early in the morning while they were sleeping peacefully in their tents. A fierce and bloody battle ensued between the two forces. According to Marco Polo, this was one of the largest battles of that era, featuring hundreds of thousands of cavalrymen facing off directly.

4. Nayan's Fate

Kublai Khan emerged victorious in this battle, and Nayan was captured. According to ancient Mongol tradition, shedding the blood of any member of the royal family upon the earth was considered a curse. Therefore, a unique method was employed to execute Nayan:

Nayan was tightly wrapped in a large carpet (or felt blanket) and then ruthlessly shaken and beaten (or trampled under the hooves of horses) until he breathed his last inside the carpet. In this manner, not a single drop of his blood fell upon the ground.

Following Nayan's defeat, Kublai Khan eliminated the autonomy of the Eastern Mongol princes and further solidified his grip on the empire.

It is said that after conquering a city, the Mongol commander Nayan was once passing through its streets and marketplaces. He would chop off the hands and feet of some locals while pardoning others...

Mongol soldiers would grab people by their necks and bring them before Nayan. He would plunge a dagger into their bodies and move forward...
Suddenly, a man fell at Nayan's feet, screaming. When the soldiers lifted him up, the man spoke to Nayan:
"My lord, my crimes are so immense that even if you wished to, you could not forgive me. I have plundered, tormented, and ruined people. Please, sever my neck with your sword."
Nayan paused for a minute, closed his eyes, and pondered. Then, suddenly placing the sword against the man's neck, he asked:
"Is there any place in the world where this criminal can find forgiveness?"
A wise man called out loudly, "Yes, my lord! In the future, there will be such a place."
Nayan inquired in astonishment, "What place will that be?"
The wise man replied, "My lord, it will be a country in South Asia called the **'Islamic Republic of Pakistan'**. There, criminals of this caliber will not only receive forgiveness, but they will also be awarded ministries alongside it. The grander the criminal, the higher the rank..."

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Lifeline or Mirage: The Truth of the Indus River

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First and foremost, consider the consciousness of love and passion to be practically extinct after Gen Z. Gen Alpha will possess a great many things, but love and passion will be a rarity.

Sindh is my birthplace; Sindh is my pride and honor. From the coast of Karachi to Kashmore, Sindh is my homeland, Sindh is my identity. If Sindh is weak, I am weak. Love for the Indus River is embedded in my very clay, and every rightful claimant receiving their just share of the Indus water must be the hallmark of the river's grandeur. I am the mortal enemy of those who occupy and plunder the resources of Sindh. My war is declared against those who fail to account for the **$7 billion** of the NFC Award given to Sindh. How can love and passion for Sindh mean constantly playing sycophant to the plundering *Waderas* (feudal lords), treating their filth as if it were a sweet delicacy? Many are doing exactly that, but my Sindhi brothers, this is a "Form-47 democracy"—eat and worship whatever your heart desires, but consider me disabled from this sacred duty of sycophancy and consumption.

Karachi—the economic engine of Pakistan and a chaotic jungle of over **35 million people**—is among those few mega-cities in the world that, despite being settled on the coast of an ocean, thirsts for every single drop of water. For decades, official documents and textbooks have taught that Karachi receives its water from the "Indus River," which reaches the city via Keenjhar Lake. But if you strip away the veil of politics and bureaucracy, this entire

system is nothing more than a mirage. Karachi's share of the Indus water vanishes along the route, leaving the city virtually at the mercy of nature (rainfall).

Geography of the Indus River and Its Arrival in Sindh

The Indus River is the economic and geographical lifeline of the province of Sindh. Flowing through the upper regions of Pakistan, the river crosses the Punjab border and enters the boundaries of Sindh at Kashmore and Ubauro. In Sindh, its first welcome is managed by the Guddu Barrage. From there, the river flows southward, irrigating approximately 16 to 18 districts of Sindh (including Sukkur, Larkana, Dadu, Nawabshah, and Hyderabad) before finally emptying into the Arabian Sea near Keti Bandar in the Thatta and Sujawal districts.

The volume of water upon entering Sindh does not remain constant:

- **In Summer and Monsoon (Kharif):** The inflow ranges from **150,000 to 300,000 cusecs** on normal days, reaching **800,000 to 1,200,000 cusecs** during flood days.
- **In Winter and Drought (Rabi):** Due to natural water scarcity in the upper regions, the inflow drops dangerously to a mere **20,000 to 25,000 cusecs**, causing downstream barrages to dry up.

While Karachi thirsts for every drop of water regardless of summer or winter, millions of cusecs of floodwater arriving via the Indus River during the monsoon season go to waste in the ocean for months without being stored. The capacity of lakes like Keenjhar has been reduced by half due to siltation, and the Sindh government has built no new reservoirs or small dams to retain floodwater. How could they, when the ministers of Sindh's rural government are too busy buying properties in Dubai to spare a

thought for Sindh! The result is that when nature gives us water, we lack the container, and when nature holds it back, the *Waderas* steal Karachi's right. Then we are left to hear the comical proverb: *"When it rains, water comes; and when it rains more, more water comes..."* Otherwise, we were under the impression that milk rains down from the sky.

The Burden of Sindh's Agriculture and Fisheries

The Indus River does not merely provide drinking water; it bears the entire weight of the province's economic structure.

- **Agricultural Land:** The Indus gives life to approximately **8.2 million acres** of cultivable land in Sindh, yielding magnificent crops of wheat, cotton, rice, corn, and sugarcane, alongside vast orchards of vegetables, dates, bananas, and mangoes. Fodder of various kinds is also found in abundance for millions of livestock.
- **Fish Farming:** This river is the backbone of fish breeding in Sindh. The province boasts fish farms spread over nearly **121,000 acres**, numbering more than **6,000**, with their primary hubs located in the Thatta, Badin, and Dadu districts.

KB Feeder: An Organic Canal in Name Only

According to documents, the "Kalri Baghar Feeder" (KB Feeder), extracted from the Kotri Barrage, is the canal that fills Keenjhar Lake with water from the Indus. Yet the ground reality is that the KB Feeder remains a canal in name only. For most months of the year, especially during the Rabi season, this canal presents the sight of a dry road or a mound of dirt. Due to a total lack of desiltation, sand has accumulated at its bed, destroying the natural flow of water.

Wadera Raj, Water Theft, and Thousands of Lift Pumps

The drying up of the KB Feeder and the failure of water to reach Keenjhar Lake is caused not by natural disasters, but by the ruthless water theft perpetrated by Sindh's influential *Wadera* elite.

By conservative estimates, there are **15,000 to 20,000 illegal lift pumps** and Peter engines installed along the entire route from the Guddu Barrage down to Kotri and the KB Feeder. On the specific route supplying Karachi, about **500 to 800 massive industrial pumps** (ranging from 8 to 24 inches in diameter) are operational. Influential political *Waderas* use these pumps to steal Karachi's drinking water to irrigate their private fish farms, sugarcane crops, and banana orchards. The Irrigation Department and local administration stand completely helpless before these powerful thieves.

The Slaughter of Karachi's Water Supply Via Pumps

The biggest and most painful question is: how much of Karachi's water is being stolen through these illegal lift pumps? Technical data indicates that this theft occurs on such an immense scale that half of the city's water crisis is tied directly to it:

- **Loss in Gallons:** On paper, Karachi is supposed to receive roughly **650 million gallons per day (MGD)** from the Keenjhar Lake system. However, these lift pumps steal **150 to 200 MGD** on a daily basis. This means approximately **25% to 30%** of the water rightfully belonging to Karachi is vanished along the way before even reaching Keenjhar Lake.
- **Loss in Cusecs:** Karachi has an overall allocation of **1,200 cusecs** from the Indus River. The heavy industrial pumps of the *Waderas* continuously suck **300 to 400 cusecs** from the

canal every second. This theft peaks drastically during the months of May and June.

- **Impact on Karachi (The Reign of the Tanker Mafia):** When water is stolen upstream, the water level drops at "Dhabeji," Karachi's largest pumping station. The pumps become air-locked, and the city's supply lines dry up. Exploiting this artificial scarcity, the "Tanker Mafia" begins its reign over the city. The very water that citizens should have received cheaply through their taps must then be bought by the public through tankers at the cost of thousands of rupees.

New Revelation: The Grand Lie of K-IV—Where is the Water?

Last year, during a Q&A session at the conclusion of a seminar, I asked a prominent Sindhi water expert who was boastfully taking credit for the K-IV project:

"When Keenjhar Lake is already drying up, the KB Feeder is empty, and the Waderas are stealing the current supply, from where will an additional 650 million gallons of water daily come for Karachi's largest under-construction project, K-IV?"

He began beating around the bush, claiming that IRSA is stealing their water. This is the exact question where water experts and the Sindhi bureaucracy lose their footing.

- **Paper and Political Consolations:** The federal institution, IRSA, has indeed approved a quota of 1,200 cusecs from the Indus River for Karachi on paper. The route is also being altered from Keenjhar to connect with the alternative canal systems of Kali Malook and Jhimpir. Yet, all of this constitutes merely a "pipeline route," not "water."
- **The Absence of Water and Provincial Warfare:** The ultimate truth is that not a single extra drop of water exists in the Indus River to give to K-IV. When no new water enters at

the Kashmore border and Sindh lacks a system to store floodwater, K-IV is destined to fail at its initial stage because the water simply isn't there. Forcing K-IV to operate would mean cutting off the agricultural water of poor farmers in Thatta, Badin, and Sujawal to pump it into this pipeline. This administrative catastrophe is setting up a conflict between the farmers of Sindh and the citizens of Karachi.

- **New Canal, New Thieves:** Even if billions of rupees are spent to construct open canals and pipelines for K-IV, they will still traverse the very districts of Sindh where the *Wadera* elite reigns supreme. When 20,000 pumps could not be removed from the old canals, protecting the K-IV route from these thieves will be an impossibility.

The Ground Reality: Karachi Survives Solely on Rainwater

When the *Waderas* digest the river water, the KB Feeder sits empty, and no water exists for K-IV, how does Keenjhar Lake fill up? This exposes the grandest reality hidden by officialdom: effectively, only rainwater reaches Karachi's share.

Surrounding Keenjhar Lake is the rocky, mountainous terrain of "Kohistan." Whenever it rains in this region, dozens of natural hill torrents (such as Kalo Khabar and Hadiyaaro) carry millions of gallons of rainwater directly into Keenjhar Lake. It is this rainwater that maintains the lake's levels and quenches a few sips of Karachi's thirst. In years with good rainfall, Karachi receives some water; in years without rain, Karachi begs for a drop because the river water remains under the occupation of the *Waderas*.

Conclusion and Solution

Karachi's water crisis is not a result of a "natural scarcity" of water; it is the product of political collusion, the bullying of the *Wadera* elite, and administrative incompetence. Mega-projects

like K-IV will remain lifeless iron pipes until the river is liberated from thieves.

For a permanent solution, emergency measures are indispensable, moving past traditional statements:

- A campaign must be launched utilizing the Rangers and law enforcement agencies to immediately demolish and confiscate all illegal lift pumps installed by *Waderas* along the KB Feeder and Kotri routes. But will the American Central Command (CENTCOM) come down to execute this?
- Complete desiltation and re-lining of the KB Feeder must be carried out to prevent water loss. However, this requires significant funds, and the money allocated to Sindh is spent enhancing the splendor of Dubai.
- To reduce reliance on the Indus River and the mercy of *Waderas*, sea-water desalination plants must be installed along Karachi's coast—a permanent solution utilized by coastal cities worldwide. But if **100 billion rupees** are invested here, the masters in Dubai might get offended that the Sindh government is spending money on Karachi instead of Dubai!

K-IV vs. Desalination

If the government is spending over **100 billion rupees** on projects like K-IV—for which no water even exists in the river—a **100 MGD** desalination plant could instead be installed on Karachi’s coast for **50 billion rupees**. Let no foolish, enslaved apologist of the *Waderas* spin the tale that the desalination process is too expensive; if an expense of 10 to 20 billion occurs out of Karachi's own money, no calamity will fall. We won't need to auction Bilawal’s underwear to collect these funds.

The greatest advantage would be that Karachi would be liberated forever from the torment of *Wadera* water theft and the drying up of the KB Feeder, ensuring the city receives a permanent supply of water from its own coastline.
If this lifeline is not rescued from thieves and mounds of dirt, this economic engine of over 35 million people will forever be forced to look toward the clouds, and this crisis will inevitably transform into a massive humanitarian catastrophe.

The Funeral of the Economy: Provincial Clearance Sale, Federal Impotence, and the Elite's "No Beer" Formula

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The Pakistani economy is currently not resting in a hospital ICU; rather, it lies in a slaughterhouse where the external world attempts to keep it alive via artificial oxygen, while the ruling elite and mafias inside are lined up to tear away the last shred of flesh from its body. Statistics bear witness that this country has died economically; only the announcement of its burial remains.

We are left with only two pathways to bring in dollars:

- **The First Path:** The blood and sweat of overseas Pakistanis (Remittances), which reached a record level of **$38.3 billion** in FY2025. This is the money sent by Pakistanis facing humiliation abroad for the sake of their mothers and sisters, yet the plunders here waste it on luxuries.
- **The Second Path:** Our gasping exports, which remain trapped barely between **$30 to $31 billion**. In the first eleven months of FY2026, exports of a mere **$27.9 billion** are sufficient proof that commerce and industry have been strangled in this country.

FBR: The Executioner's Axe on the Necks of the Public

At the local level, no system of taxation exists to run the government; instead, a state-sanctioned network of extortion (FBR) is established. This axe severed the necks of the public to squeeze out **11,737 billion rupees ($42.2 billion)** in FY2025, and for the current fiscal year 2026, the target for this tyrannical collection is set at **14,131 billion rupees ($50.8 billion)**. This is not money meant for economic growth; this is blood extracted at gunpoint from the pockets of the poor and middle class in the

form of petroleum levy, General Sales Tax (GST), and cruel surcharges.

NFC Award: Vertical Imbalance or a Deal on National Survival?

The actual economic suicide commences when one examines the distribution structure of these squeezed earnings. In the name of the NFC Award, a "vertical imbalance" has been engineered that leaves the federation crippled and the provinces completely unbridled.

Whatever tax the FBR collects in rupees, **57.5%** of it falls straight into the laps of the provinces, which translates to roughly **$26.7 billion** when converted to dollars. The largest chunks of this distribution are swept away by major provinces like Punjab and Sindh:

- **Punjab's Share: $13.4 billion** (3,726 billion rupees)
- **Sindh's Share: $6.5 billion** (1,826 billion rupees)

The combined share of these two large provinces alone amounts to nearly **$20 billion**, while Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is fobbed off with **$4.4 billion** and Balochistan with **$2.3 billion**.

Federal Bankruptcy and Royal Extravagances

The provinces tear open the chest of the federation to snatch these massive pieces of meat, yet when it comes to running the country, the federation is left with a mere **$23.3 billion** out of its total target. Now, compare this economic crime: the annual burden of interest and installment payments on old debts resting solely on the federation's shoulders is **$35 billion**!

Despite this, the federation's own pomposity and royal extravagances show no signs of ending. There is a massive army of bureaucracy, a triumphant swarm of ministers and advisors, and an endless sea of perks that refuses to dry up. Every single officer and minister is provided with four modern vehicles, billions of rupees worth of free petrol, free gas, and free electricity. The

moral bankruptcy is such that a special assistant went so far as to demand a bill of 1.3 million rupees from his ministry for a massage in Bangkok! The naked dance continues, and the poor public of this country is forced to foot the bill for the debaucheries of government members and the upkeep of their mistresses. The Umrah and Hajj expenses of dozens of members of the federal government camp are paid directly from the state treasury. After enriching the provinces and fulfilling its own luxuries, the federation is left begging for pennies. The federation is left without a dime for defense, development work, education, and health. To bridge this deficit, the federation falls to its knees once more before the IMF, China, and Saudi Arabia, taking on new commercial loans, and to pay off those loans, an additional burden of taxes is dumped onto the public. The provinces indulge in luxury, and the federation sinks deeper into the quicksand of bankruptcy.

The European Joke and Pakistan's Bitter Reality

This entire scenario perfectly mirrors the famous European joke where a German citizen enters a bar and asks for a beer costing 3 euros. However, the bartender adds various taxes and surcharges under the guise of aiding Ukraine, sanctions on Russia, stabilizing the British economy, and gas subsidies, collecting 20 euros from him. The customer quietly hands over the 20 euros, but the bartender hands him back 3 euros, saying, *"Sir, here is your beer money back, because we don't actually have any beer!"*

The economic state of Pakistan is identical. The ordinary citizen here—the rickshaw driver, the salaried class, and the farmer—quietly pays hefty sums in the form of taxes on petrol, electricity, and flour. He is told that this money will liberate the

country from debt, fund provincial development, and build infrastructure. But when he asks for the "beer" of economic relief, cheap electricity, affordable rations, and basic rights, the state smiles and says, *"Thank you for the taxes and surcharges, but we don't have anything called an economy in existence!"*

This is no economic model; it is an organized, deliberate, and criminal economic suicide where production capacity is zero, the provinces are bleeding the federation dry, and the federation is flaying the skin off the public to collect money for a mirage that does not exist in the first place.

Is Pakistan a Failed State? Or a Successful Mafia?

What does this state expect from an ordinary trader and industrialist? That he pays taxes, hands over heavy bribes to various extortionist mafias and state institutions, sponsors extravagant shopping sprees for the rulers' families, funds their Umrahs and foreign trips, pays his taxes in full, and does not utter a sigh while watching his own business burn to the ground.

When Income Tax officers' children go on recreational trips to Dubai, Europe, and America on the money of industrialists, and celebrate their birthday parties on Pacific islands, those officers will not show industrialists the path to national development; they will teach them a hundred ways to evade taxes instead. When the multi-million rupee bank guarantees required for these Income Tax officers to obtain citizenships in Canada, Australia, and Europe are provided by these very industrialists, who on earth would have the courage to collect taxes from them?

The immigration officer who apprehended Ayyan Ali—the special associate and money laundering queen of Zardari, who currently occupies the highest constitutional office—was murdered in broad daylight, and the state watched as a spectator instead of catching

the killers. In such an environment of fear, who can stop money laundering worth millions of dollars monthly?

Historical Tales of Plunder and State Terrorism

- **The Robbery of February 1997:** Under the so-called slogan of *"Qarz Utaro Mulk Sanwaro"* (Retire Debt, Adorn the Country), the Sharif family swallowed billions of rupees belonging to the public and traders. Traders and industrialists across the country were thuggishly messaged to mandatory contribute to this fund or prepare for the wrath of the Prime Minister.
- **The Sindh Government's "System":** If there is a slight delay in paying extortion to the state-patronized mafia known as the "System" of the Sindh government in Karachi, Millennium Mall and Gulf Plaza are set ablaze using chemicals. Hundreds of human beings are burned alive to ashes, while law enforcement agencies remain spectators.
- **The Baldia Town Tragedy:** Prior to this, a state-patronized system of drilling machines and sector incharges ruled for years, which conducted the barbaric experiment of spraying chemicals to burn humans alive in the Baldia Town factory, resulting in 287 innocent individuals being burned to charcoal. The current "System" of the Sindh government copied this terrorist technology from there.

When traders get no security and face fire even after fulfilling the demands for return tickets and recreational expenses to Dubai, Bangkok, and Europe for the ministers' women, they will naturally wind up their businesses and migrate to Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Cambodia. The limit is that if their demands are not met, they resort to blackmail, issuing threats like: *"Your son studies at such-and-such college, your daughter studies at such-and-such*

university, today she wore clothes of this color and carried a bag of that color... they travel at these specific times..." This is not the dialect of state functionaries; it is the style of kidnappers and savage thugs.

Malik Riaz: The Elite's Biggest Financier

Look at characters like Malik Riaz, who spent his entire life distributing plots worth thousands of billions of rupees for free to generals and the bureaucracy, gifted diamond sets to the wives of generals, presented expensive vehicles of the latest models as New Year gifts annually, sponsored foreign trips and billions of rupees worth of shopping for their children, paid their heavy fees by securing admissions in foreign universities, and kept bankrupt and stammering journalists tamed by gifting them Hajj and Umrah trips, plots, and advertisements. Despite all this, he kept paying taxes, yet today he too is exiled. When the mafia's own pawns are not safe, what status does an ordinary trader hold?

The Ultimate Decree: This is Not a State, It is an Organized Mafia

Today, the state has only one naked and tyrannical decree for the traders, industrialists, and ordinary citizens of Pakistan:

- Pay taxes.
- Pay extortion (*Bhatta*).
- Give donations.
- Bear the travel expenses of the rulers.
- Fulfill all their illegitimate and luxurious demands.
- And if you don't... prepare to witness the destruction of your life, property, and children.

This is no state; this is the operational method of a savage mafia, and the height of misfortune is that all of this is occurring under the state umbrella, supervised by the guardians of the law.

The state now survives only on scraps of paper and official documents; in the minds and hearts of the citizens, this state died

long ago. And history is witness that when a state departs from the hearts of its citizens, bringing it back through force, at the barrel of a gun, or through false narratives becomes impossible. Rahat Indori perhaps captured this pharaonic arrogance and its end when he wrote:

Lagegi aag to aayenge ghar kai zad mein
Yahan pe sirf hamara makan thodi hai

(When fire breaks out, many homes will be caught in its wake;
Our house is not the only one standing here.)

Gunpowder Madness and Cosmic Apathy: Toward Which Slaughterhouse is Humanity Marching?

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While a twenty-first-century man views himself at the pinnacle of consciousness, his practical priorities are giving birth to the most horrific contradiction in history. According to the latest statistics from the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), the global military budget is touching a historic level of **$2.9 trillion**. This massive sum is proof of the bitter truth that this sole "sentient" creature of the universe is consumed by a passion for destruction rather than construction. Even after manufacturing weaponry worth thousands of trillions of dollars and plunging millions of humans into the furnace of war, man's bloodthirsty thirst remains unquenched, and now this apathy is expanding beyond earthly boundaries to prepare for the ruining of Mars and other planets.

1. Military Budgets and the Criminal Waste of Resources

Nearly **58%** of the world's total military expenditure is spent by just five major nations (the United States, China, Russia, Germany, and India). This investment is carried out by strangling the three basic necessities of human survival: food, education, and health. If a mere **50%** of this budget were immediately reallocated to public welfare, the map of the world could transform as follows:

- **Eradication of the Food Crisis:** Merely **$40 to $50 billion** annually is required for the permanent eradication of hunger from the world. If the capital spent on manufacturing bombs were invested in modern agriculture and sustainable models like Waste-to-Fertilizer, no child in the world would sleep hungry.

- **The Light of Consciousness and Education:** Gunpowder spreads hatred, whereas education gives birth to peace. If wartime capital were spent on universities and research centers, the younger generation would become thinkers and reformers instead of creators of weapons of mass destruction.
- **Guarantee of Public Health:** The world does not need lethal missiles; it needs affordable treatments for diseases like cancer and free basic healthcare. When the health budget is slashed due to military madness, military barracks flourish instead of hospitals.

2. Geopolitical Pressure on Developing Nations

The greatest tragedy of this global military madness must be borne by developing and poor nations. For instance, when India's defense budget exceeds **$92 billion** in South Asia, countries like Pakistan are forced—despite limited resources—to keep their defense strong due to geographical constraints and security challenges.

This directly impacts the national economy. The money that ought to be spent on the water crisis of mega-cities like Karachi, public transport, and health and education in rural areas must instead be spent on state-of-the-art defense technology, drones, and cybersecurity to maintain regional balance.

3. Treason Against Our Beautiful Planet and the Race for Mars

The height of human apathy is that on one hand, man is destroying his beautiful, living, and green planet (Earth) through corporate greed, pollution, and nuclear gunpowder, while on the other hand, wasting billions of dollars in the name of settling colonies on dead planets like **Mars**.

Mars possesses no drinking water, no oxygen to breathe, and no magnetic field to shield against the deadly radiation of the sun.

Man is willing to sink trillions of dollars into making this dead red soil habitable (**Terraforming**), yet the paradise (Earth) that nature settled for him free of cost is having its oceans filled with plastic and its atmosphere poisoned. If man does not alter his habits of apathy and greed, he will not create any new paradise upon reaching Mars either; rather, he will carry his system of war, pollution, and destruction along with him there as well.

4. The Business of Death and the "Military-Industrial Complex"

This bloodthirsty thirst of man does not increase on its own; rather, an organized capitalist system lies hidden behind it. Weapon-manufacturing corporations (**Military-Industrial Complex**) in major global powers rake in billions of dollars in profit. Their business thrives only when the blood of innocent humans continues to flow somewhere in the world and the atmosphere of war remains heated. This mafia influences government policies to secure hikes in defense budgets. An atmosphere of fear has been engineered in global geopolitics where no country is willing to reduce its weapons first, and thus this blind race persists.

5. Unbridled Inventions and AI: A World Turning to Ashes in Seconds

While modern science provided comforts to man, it also handed him lethal weapons that are now slipping beyond human control. In the wars of the past, a human was present to press the button or make a decision, but today the world has transitioned toward **"Lethal Autonomous Weapons."** The most horrific aspect of this is the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) into warfare systems. Today, the world’s superpowers have linked their nuclear missiles and defense systems with AI algorithms to ensure a response to an enemy attack within seconds. Yet the scientific reality remains that no software or AI algorithm is **100%** free of errors. If a minor **"bug"** or a hair's breadth error in coding occurs within an

algorithm, or if it mistakes a flock of birds or a meteorological change for an enemy's hypersonic missile, it can autonomously order a retaliatory nuclear strike without consulting a human. Man will not get a single second to recover, think, or rectify the mistake, and the entire world will turn into a mound of ashes in the blink of an eye.

6. The Need to Safeguard Scientific Inventions from "Mad Scientists"

The ultimate challenge to escape this slaughterhouse is how to protect scientific inventions from those **"Mad Scientists"** who, devoid of ethics, work solely for corporate funding and military might. Science inherently is not evil, but when it falls into the hands of a brain devoid of human empathy, it becomes the most dangerous thing in the universe. For this, the following immediate steps are required:

- **Global Ethical Charter:** Just as treaties banning biological weapons were forged in the past, a strict global law is needed now under which no scientist or corporation is permitted to develop an AI algorithm or a genetic weapon capable of erasing the human race.
- **Civilian Monitoring of Research:** The research of scientists must not remain confined to secret laboratory basements. There must be committees of international philosophers, jurists, and peace-loving experts to strictly monitor whether a new invention is being utilized for human welfare or destruction.
- **Banning Wartime Funding:** Scientists receive massive funds and perks from military budgets. If defense funding were choked globally and these scientists were granted funds to research agriculture, cancer, and climate change,

the direction of their intellect would be diverted from destruction to construction.

Conclusion :

The Earth is so vast and rich in resources that it can easily fulfill the food, shelter, education, and healthcare needs of **100 billion humans** over the coming thousands of years, but it cannot satisfy the greed of a few warmongers, capitalists, and scientists devoid of morality. Man is behaving on this Earth like a **"cosmic virus"** that consumes and destroys its own host.

Modern man is under the dangerous illusion that he will settle a colony on Mars, but the truth is that if he fails to control this lethal satanic alliance of AI and gunpowder, the very existence of man on Earth is on track to become a horrific history within a single decade, long before reaching Mars. If humanity is to be saved, an immediate global ban must be placed on the arms trade and warfare algorithms. The smoke of gunpowder brings only death, whereas peace, food, education, and health are the true tidings of life.

The Drama of Provincial Autonomy: Constitutional Mirage and the Blackmailing of Provinces

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How enchanting, captivating, and impactful to hear and read is this three-word troika: **"Provincial Autonomy."** What fool would deny the utility of this concept? When constitutional and legal pundits open their mouths on this subject, they appear as masters of eloquence and rhetoric. It seems as though the mere implementation of this term will alter the destiny of deprived classes and turn provinces into paradise.

If all such clauses, articles, and their sub-clauses of the Constitution of Pakistan that explicitly mention provincial autonomy in clear words were gathered in one place, one would assume that the map of a political paradise is being drawn where provinces enjoy absolute rights. Such clauses exist in the Constitution of Pakistan that ostensibly elevate provinces to the status of a **"Super State"** within the federation. Yet for the public, all of this is merely a presumption, a fraud, and a political mirage; the reality is entirely contrary and exceptionally horrific.

The Contradiction Between the Constitutional Garb and Ground Realities

The Fourth Schedule of the Constitution, Article 70, and especially the abolition of the Concurrent List after the 18th Amendment ostensibly grant full legislative freedom to the provinces. Article 142 clarifies that the provinces possess absolute authority to legislate on matters not included in the Federal Legislative List. On the financial front, Clause 3A under Article 160 (NFC Award) provides protection ensuring that a

province's share cannot be reduced below that of the previous award. Furthermore, Article 172(3) delivers the glad tidings of equal ownership (50:50) between the provincial and federal governments over oil and gas discovered within the boundaries of a province.
But the political reality is that this entire structure of provincial autonomy is actually a lollipop used by the bastard provincial ruling class to prolong their power, blackmail the federation, and provide constitutional protection to their plundering.

Lack of Capacity and the Game of the Provincial Super corrupt Elite

In this clamor for provincial autonomy, if we look at the geographical and political map of Pakistan, the contradiction becomes starkly visible. In provinces like Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), so little administrative and financial capacity has been left that they cannot use their constitutional powers for public welfare. They are so entangled in the web of security crises and federal-dependent financial aid that autonomy remains a mere dream.
On the other hand, Punjab and Sindh are the only two provinces that have played such a game in the name of "provincial autonomy" that it would put even the devil to shame. Looking at Punjab's turn, governments of the PML-N, PML-Q, and PTI kept changing, and each used this autonomy for political bargaining against the center and to maintain their kingdoms.

The 17-Year Model of "Sindh Sharif": The Reign of the Zardari Gang

While the faces of power changed in Punjab, the tragic tale of "Sindh Sharif" is the most unique and severe. Here, for the past seventeen years, only the **"Zardari Gang"** has ruled with absolute monopoly. This gang has consumed all the lollipops of provincial autonomy themselves, giving the public nothing but hunger, piles of garbage, backwardness, and the tyranny of feudal rule.

Whenever the center talks about their bad governance, corruption, or accountability, this bastard elite immediately raises the hue and cry of the "Sindh Card," the 5,000-year history of the Indus land, and the narrative that "provincial autonomy is in danger." This constitutional autonomy is used as a shield solely to maintain provincial occupation over the resources of the economic engine that is Karachi, and to block Karachi's path to development.

Constitutional Hypocrisy: The Slaughter of Local Bodies

The grandest fraud and hypocrisy of this provincial autonomy is exposed when we examine the devolution of power at the grassroots level. Article 140-A of the Constitution binds every province to establish a local government system and devolve political, administrative, and financial powers to the representatives of the public at the lower tier.

The rulers of Sindh and Punjab snatched immense funds and all powers from the federation in the name of provincial autonomy, but when the time came to give those same powers to the districts, cities, and villages of their own provinces, they were struck completely dumb. They paralyzed local bodies by depriving them of funds and authority, because this provincial bastard elite

believes in the centralization of power, not the autonomy of the public.

Conclusion

Just as everything is auctioned off at a brothel, developmental funds, government jobs, and contracts are distributed like spoils at the provincial level. In Punjab, a contract to construct two rooms in a school is awarded for 200 million rupees, and the rooms do get built; but in Sindh, despite the approval of the contract and the provision of funds, the two rooms are built only on paper. After the 18th Amendment, trillion-rupee sectors like education, health, and agriculture were transferred to the provinces, but their benefits instead of reaching the public in the form of hospitals and schools went into the pockets of ministers, *Waderas*, sons-in-law of rulers, in-laws, and their favorite contractors, ultimately taking the form of properties in Dubai. Singing the song of "provincial autonomy" in Pakistan is merely a political drama and a means to throw dust in the eyes of the public. Until autonomy shifts from the halls of the Senate or provincial assemblies to mean the financial and political empowerment of the ordinary man in the streets and neighborhoods, this slogan will remain nothing more than a "charming and hypocritical lollipop" for provincial plunderers and political gangs to blackmail the federation and protect their corruption models. Therefore, the NFC Award of Sindh and Punjab should be slashed by **50%**, and the remaining 50% should be placed directly under federal administration for Karachi and Southern Punjab. Simultaneously, constitutional clauses resembling the finicky conditions of a courtesan such as **Article 160 (3A)** should be thrown into the trash bin.